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„Not without us!“

Youth and sexual and reproductive health in international cooperation.

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It has now been twenty years since the International Conference on Population and Development (ICDP) in Cairo set up new measures and principles concerning sexual and reproductive health. This conference showed how questions of population growth and social and economic development can only be tackled by taking up a rights-based approach.

Where do we stand, 20 years after the adoption of the Cairo action plan, which strung together family planning, development policy and strengthening women's rights? But 220 Million women still do not have access to birth control and even now 25% of girls in southern Africa leave schooling due to unplanned pregnancies. It seems obvious that there are still too many serious hindrances to gaining access to services for sexual and reproductive health.

At this year's symposium we are addressing these obstacles and wish to stress the continuing importance and relevance of the Cairo 1994 findings for international health cooperation.

We are putting the youth - which make up a central group in our society, at the centre of our discussion, in order to make the advances in health for women and girls, mothers and children that are necessary. Which barriers must we get rid of to help young people gain access to health services? How can we make health services for sexual and reproductive health better suited to the needs of young people? What needs to change in our societies in order for young people to be able to stand up for their right to health?

Agenda

8.30 Reception, Reception, Coffee

Adolescent Health and Youth after Cairo 1994		
Moderator: Thomas Vogel		
9.10	Eröffnung durch Thomas Vogel, Präsident des Netzwerks MMS	
	Venkatraman Chandra-Mouli, WHO	Where are we in Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health, 20 years since the International Conference on Population and Development
	Adriane Martin Hilber, Swiss TPH	Cairo beyond 2015: Negotiating Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health & Rights in the New Development Agenda
	Christina de Vries, CORDAID	Moving from policy to programme design: challenges and opportunities.
	Panel	

10.40 Kaffeepause

Youth Friendly Health Systems		
Moderator: Manfred Zahorka, Swiss TPH		
11.10	Introduction Manfred Zahorka	
	Susanne Amsler, SDC	Youth friendly SRH Services
	Andrea Atzori, CUAMM (Moçambique)	Scaling up Health Services for Young and Adolescents in Beira, Mozambique
	Swapan Pahan & Dr. Beatrice Ambauen	Preventing adolescent pregnancy and maternal mortality by initiating comprehensive reproductive health services and empowering adolescents in rural Bangladesh
	Panel	

12.30 – 13.20 Lunch

Not without us: Youth in the communities		
Moderator: Verena Wieland, Swiss Red Cross		
13.25	Introduction Verena Wieland	
	Abdi Hersi, Swisso-Kalmo	Youth and Sexual & Reproductive Health in Somalia
	Sahiba Srna, Zemlja Djece	Sexual and reproductive health services for young people from socially marginalised groups in Bosnia-Herzegovina
	Sandra Dominguez O'Hara, Red Cross Honduras	Embarazo en adolescentes, Honduras
	Judith Eisenring, medico international schweiz	Wollen Jugendliche sexuell gebildet werden?
	Panel	

14.55 Forum (Parallel Sessions) with refreshments

1	Nicole Moran & Virginie Emery, Right to Play	My Life, My Plan: Sexual & Reproductive Health Rights Resource
English		
2	Cecilia Capello/Janet Perkins, Enfants du Monde	Promoting young women's rights related to safe motherhood
English		
3	Viorel Babii, Victoria Ciubotaru, Healthy Generation Project	Healthy Generation Project – Strategies to assure access to youth friendly health services in the Republic of Moldova
English		
4	Judith Eisenring, medico international schweiz	Wollen Jugendliche sexuell gebildet werden?
German		

Panel: Adolescents Rights and the international health cooperation	
16.00	Film of the Swiss Red Cross
	Debate with: Venkatraman Chandra-Mouli (WHO), Adriane Martin Hilber (Swiss TPH), Rainer Kamper (Sexual Health Switzerland) and Jacques Mader (SDC)

16.45 End of the Symposium

Organisational details

Registration: The number of participants is restricted. Please help us with our preparations by registering in good time. Please use our website medicusmundi.ch or send an e-mail to info@medicusmundi.ch

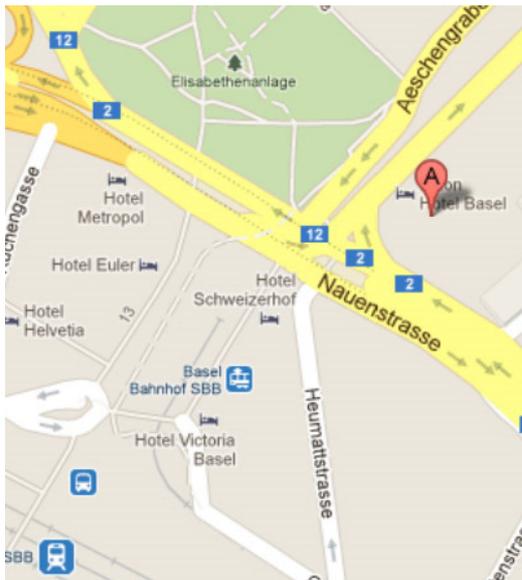
Lunch: Stand-up lunch included

Costs: Participants will be asked at the arrival desk to contribute CHF 170 towards the cost of the symposium (MMS members and students: CHF 80). This sum may be paid by bank or postal transfer using a payment slip. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Languages: German – French – English - Spanish, with simultaneous translation in the plenary sessions.

Confirmation of participation: You will receive a printed confirmation of participation, together with your symposium kit, at the arrival desk. No individual confirmation of registration will be sent.

Venue: **Hotel Hilton**, Conference Center, Aeschengraben 31, Basel



How to get there: The Hilton Basel hotel is a 2-minute walk from Basel SBB. Just cross the main square in front of the station and you find it on the right hand side.

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